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STRIPS THAT ARE CONTACT ADHESIVE ON ONE OR BOTH

SIDES, AND METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF

Art Unit : 1771

Examiner : Anish P. Desai

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REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION OF ADVISORY ACTION

Sir:

The Advisory Action of December 31, 2007 indicates that the art rejection **s** over Dunshee taken individually or in view of Stempel are maintained "for the following reasons".

In the text which follows, the Examiner seems to agree with Applicants that

Dunshee does not suggest Applicants' invention, but argues that the combination of

Dunshee with Stempel renders Applicants' claims obvious.

It would therefore seem that the rejection over Dunshee taken individually should be withdrawn, and that only the rejection over Dunshee in view of Stempel is intended to remain.

Clarification is respectfully requested.

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